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The School of Nursing of The Children's Hospital, Boston, offers a three years' course in the theory and practice of Nursing, to young women between the ages of 20 and 30 years, holding a college or a high school diploma.

The School is registered with the Board of Regents of the State of New York; and its graduates are eligible for membership in the Massachusetts State Nurses' Association.

Applicants are accepted as vacancies occur and are formed into two classes a year, and entered as special students at Simmons College in February and September. These pupils live in the Nurses' Home and attend college daily during the four months. At the college instruction is given in the following subjects :

Anatomy and Physiology	80 hours
Chemistry	80 "
Bacteriology	40 "
Food Values	25 "
Cooking	50 "

In addition, during the probation period, two months are spent in ward work, which is done under the direct supervision of a graduate nurse, and demonstrations are given by her on :

Bed making
Baths
Administrations of medicines
Enemata
Preparation of Dressings
" for Operations
Principals of Bandaging

At the expiration of six months those probationers who have passed the college examinations and proved themselves adapted to the work of nursing are enrolled as pupil nurses; and during the second half of the first year attend the following classes:

Theoretical Nursing	25 hours
Ethics of Nursing	4 "
Materia Medica	12 "

Second year:

Theoretical Nursing	36 hours
Lectures on Orthopedics	12 "
" " Medical Diseases	12 "
" " Infant Feeding	6 "
" " Exanthemata	6 "
" " Plaster Work with demonstrations	6 "

Third year:

Advanced lectures and clinical demonstrations on both Medical and Surgical subjects:

Massage	12 hours
Bacteriology	12 "

Special lectures:

Eye
Ear
Nose and throat
Skin

During the two years spent in the Children's Hospital the pupils are trained in the care of sick children, and have a varied experience in the Medical, Surgical, and Orthopedic Wards, including infant nursing, and the preparation of the various formulæ of milk modifications. They act as assistants in the Operating Room, and while on service there are taught the preparation of surgical supplies and methods of sterilization; they have also a course in the administration of ether given them by the Hospital Anæthetist.

A four months' course in the nursing of adult patients is open to second year pupils, at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

A three months' course in the nursing of private patients, under instruction, is opened to advanced pupils, at the Corey Hill Hospital.

An elective course of six months has been arranged for third year students, at the Boston Lying-in Hospital.

Third year pupils have a three months' course in district nursing under the direction of the Social Service Department of the Hospital.

Six weeks' vacation is given during the three years. Pupils are cared for at the expense of the Hospital when ill, but it is expected that time lost from this or other cause be made up.

Candidates applying for admission are asked to give (in writing) a brief personal history, and to state if they have ever

before been engaged in any nursing work, and to send a recent photograph; in addition to which a practical interview is desirable.

Those who successfully complete the three years' course and pass all examinations receive a Diploma signed by the Officers of the Children's Hospital, Simmons College, the Massachusetts General Hospital.

The tuition fee for the whole course is $300 : $100 to be paid at the beginning of each school year.

Board and laundry are provided. Uniforms and text-books may be obtained at cost price.